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SUBJECT: FAA ASSISTANCE TO OMANGOV

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FAA WASHDC ATTN AIA-230

1. NOTWITHSTANDING MY TDY ASSIGNMENT TO OMAN UNDER AIA-230, THE UNDERSECRETARY HAS ASKED MY GUIDANCE AND ADVICE CONCERNING OPERATION FOR HIRE OF US REGISTERED AIRCRAFT IN OMAN. THIS SPECIFICALLY INVOLVES THE COMPANY NEW WORLD AIR CHARTER, INC. COMPANY HAS TWO DC-6'S IN OMAN, OPERATING ALLEGEDLY UNDER FAR PART 91.

2. COMPANY INTENDS TO CHARTER ONE DC-6 FOR CIVIL AVIATION HERE. I HAVE OBJECTED.

3. I HAVE ADVISED UNDERSECRETARY THAT ANY OPERATOR OF US REGISTERED AIRCRAFT WHO CHARTERS OR LEASES AIRCRAFT FOR THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR HIRE MUST HAVE A COMMERCIAL OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE FAA.

4. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE, FLIGHT CREW AND MECHANICS, I HAVE LEARNED THAT THE TWO DC-6'S DO

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NOT HAVE THE REQUIRED DESERT SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT ON BOARD.

ONE DC-6 DOES NOT HAVE AN ELT INSTALLED. THE COMPANY DOES NOT HAVE A FLIGHT OPERATIONS MANUAL FOR INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE OF THE FLIGHT CREW. THE COMPANY DOES NOT HAVE WORK SHEETS FOR AN ENGINE CHANGE ON THE AIRCRAFT. THE SOURCE OF THE OVERHAULED ENGINES IS SUSPECT. THE COMPANY DOES NOT HAVE ANY PROCEDURES FOR TRAINING AND TESTING FLIGHT ATTENDANTS IN EMERGENCY PROCEDURES.

5. IN THE INTEREST OF PRESERVING GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN USG AND OMANGOV CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES, I REQUEST THE FAA TO REVIEW THE LEGALITY OF THE OPERATION OF NEW WORLD AIR CHARTER, INC. PLEASE ADVISE.

6. UNTIL ADVISED OTHERWISE, I WILL HOLD AND ADVISE THE POSITION TO THE UNDERSECRETARY THAT THE OPERATOR MUST HAVE A USA FAA COMMERCIAL OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATE. THIS POSITION IS SUPPORTABLE UNDER THE NEW OMANI AIR LAW AND THE CIVIL AVIATION RULES IN FORCE THEREUNDER.

7. EXPECT TO BE IN BEIRUT ON OR ABOUT JULY 22 TO DISCUSS THE MATTER. WHEATLEY SENDS.
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